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## Amendment to the Claims

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1. (Currently amended) A pencil-holding clip comprising:

a strip of flexible resilient material, said strip having a base,

said strip being turned upwardly at an inner end of said base to provide a first upwardly extending leg,

said strip being turned upwardly at an outer end of said base to provide a second upwardly extending leg spaced from said first leg,

said strip having a third leg extending upwardly from said base between and spaced from said first and second legs,

said first and third legs cooperating with a first portion of said base to provide a first generally U-shaped, upwardly opening channel having an open upper end,

said second and third legs cooperating with a second portion of said base to provide a second upwardly opening channel,

said strip having a tongue extending from an outer extremity of said second leg downwardly into said second channel in spaced relation to said second and third legs,

said second leg and said tongue cooperating to provide a generally V-shaped, upwardly opening, pencil-receiving slot,

said first channel being adapted to receive and grip a lower edge portion of a wearer's cap; and

said slot being adapted to receive a pencil to be gripped between said third leg and said tongue,

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said first channel throughout its length being substantially straight and parallel to said first and third legs to facilitate the downward insertion of the lower edge portion of the cap into said first channel.

said first and third legs having barbs adapted to grip and hold the lower edge portion of the cap.

said tongue having steps along its length spaced different distances
from said third leg to cooperate with said third leg in holding pencils of different
diameters, and

said tongue slanting downwardly from the outer extremity of said second leg toward said third leg.

2-6. (Cancelled)